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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS - MEXICAN REQUEST FOR UNFDAC ASSIS-
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1. EMBASSY HAS ACQUIRED COPY OF FOLLOWING LETTER DATED
JUNE 23 FROM UNDERSECRETARY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS ALFONSO
DE ROSENZWEIG-DIAZ TO ROBERTO MARTINEZ-LECLAINCHE,
MEXICAN PERMREP IN GENEVA:

(A) "AS YOU KNOW, THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROVED ON
16 DECEMBER 1977 RESOLUTION 32/124 ON INTERNATIONAL
COOPERATION ON DRUG-RELATED TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION.

(B) "RESOLUTION POINT THREE INVITES THE UNDP AND OTHER
APPROPRIATE UN ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS THE INTERNATIONAL
OR MULTILATERAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WHICH PARTICIPATE
IN DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO SUPPORT UNFDAC AND ASSIST,
AS REQUESTED BY GOVERNMENTS, IN THE PREPARATION OF EX-
PERIMENTAL PROJECTS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE FARMERS WHO
RELY ON THE CULTIVATION OF RAW MATERIALS FROM WHICH
DRUGS ARE EXTRACTED AS THEIR PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF IN-
COME OTHER MEANS OF INCOME IN THE AREAS WHERE THE CUL-
TIVATION AND ILLICIT PRODUCTION OF NARCOTICS RAW MAT-
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ERIALS ARE GOING TO BE GRADUALLY ERADICATED IN CONFOR-
MITY WITH DECISIONS OF THE INTERESTED GOVERNMENTS.

(C) "AS YOU ALSO ARE AWARE, THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO
CONDUCTS A PERMANENT CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE CULTIVATION
AND TRAFFIC OF DRUGS, PARTICULARLY IN THE AREA AROUND
THE STATES OF CHIHUAHUA, DURANGO, AND SINALOA,

AS THIS REGION IS THE MOST CRITICAL IN THE COUNTRY AS
FAR AS MARIJUANA AND POPPY PRODUCTION IS CONCERNED.

(D) "WITHIN THE SPIRIT OF UNGA RESOLUTION 32/124, THE
GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO IS FIRMLY COMMITTED TO ENCOURAGING
FARMERS IN THAT AREA TO SUBSTITUTE FOR THESE ILLICIT
CULTIVATIONS OTHER ECONOMICALLY AND SOCIALLY ACCEPTABLE
ACTIVITIES WHICH CAN PROVIDE A DECENT STANDARD OF
LIVING. TO THIS END, A STUDY ON SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOP-
MENT IN THE AREA HAS BEEN PREPARED, OF WHICH A COPY IS
ENCLOSED.

(E) "BASED ON THE FOREGOING, I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE
YOUR DIRECTING TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNFDAC A
COMMUNICATION SOLICITING HIS COOPERATION TOWARD ENABLING
THE EXECUTION OF THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN OUTLINED IN THE
ABOVE-MENTIONED STUDY.

(F) "ADDITIONALLY, I WOULD CALL TO YOUR ATTENTION
THE LETTER THAT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNFDAC SENT
TO YOUR MISSION ON APRIL 10, EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS
TO PROVIDE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO ANY ASSISTANCE
THAT IT MAY REQUIRE IN ITS CAMPAIGN TO CONTROL THE
PRODUCTION AND ILLICIT TRAFFIC IN NARCOTICS.

(G) "I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SENDING TO THIS OFFICE
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A COPY OF THE COMMUNICATION THAT YOU SEND TO THE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNFDAC."

2. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE REPORTS ON RESULTS OF GOM
APPROACH TO UNFDAC. LUCEY

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